

BEFORE THE

Jederal Communications Commission Washington, D. C. 20554

| In re |) | |
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| Amendment of Section 73.202(b), |) | MM Docket No. 99-244 |
| Table of Allotments, |) | RM-9678 |
| FM Broadcast Stations |) | RM |
| (Cumberland, Kentucky and |) | RECEIVED |
| Weber City, Virginia; Glade |) | |
| Spring, Marion, Richlands and |) | AUG 2 3 1999 |
| Grundy, Virginia) |) | |
| | | FELIGRAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMINGUEN |
| TO: Chief, Allocations Branch | | OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY |
| Policy and Rules Division | | |

COUNTERPROPOSAL AND COMMENTS IN SUPPORT THEREOF

Mass Media Bureau

Holston Valley Broadcasting Corporation (HVBC), by its attorney, and pursuant to the **Notice of Proposed Rulemaking** in MM Docket No. 99-244, DA 99-1293, released July 2, 1999, hereby respectfully submits its Counterproposal, which is mutually exclusive with the proposal of Cumberland City Broadcasting Company (CCBC) to upgrade Channel 274 at Cumberland, Kentucky to Class C3 status, and then to reallocate Channel 274C3 from Cumberland, Kentucky to Weber

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City, Virginia¹. HVBC makes the following counterproposal, which is mutually-exclusive with CCBC's proposal:

| Community | Present | Proposed |
|------------------------|---------|----------|
| Cumberland, Kentucky | 274A | 274A |
| Weber City, Virginia | == | |
| Glade Spring, Virginia | | 274A |
| Marion, Virginia | 273A | 263A |
| Richlands, Virginia | 264A | 249A |
| Grundy, Virginia | 249A | 264A |

In support whereof, HVBC submits the following comments:

1. Preliminary Statement. HVBC seeks that the Commission allocate Channel 274A, 102.7 MHz, at Glade Spring, Virginia in order for that community to have a first local aural broadcast outlet of any type. As will be discussed in greater detail below, the allocation of Channel at Glade Spring is consistent with all spacing requirements of Section 73.207 of the Rules (upon the amendment of the FM Table of Allotments as proposed herein) while permitting city-grade coverage of all of Glade Spring in compliance with Section 73.315 of the Rules. The

 $^{^{1}}$ Also, CCBC seeks the modification of license of FM Broadcast

reference coordinates for the proposed allocation of Channel 274A at Glade Spring (a site 13.1 kilometers east of Glade Spring) are as follows:

36° 45' 15" North Latitude 81° 37' 56" West Longitude

- 2. Statement of Interest. In the event that Channel 274A is allocated to Glade Spring, HVBC will file an application on FCC Form 301 for a construction permit to construct a new Glade Spring FM station. Upon a grant of said application, HVBC would construct and operate the resulting Glade Spring station.
- an incorporated town in Washington County, Virginia with a 1990 Census population of 1,435. Glade Spring has a post office (zip code 24340), a fire department, a police department, and, according to the on-line service Yahoo! Yellow Pages, 13 churches, a library, and Patrick Henry High School (see Exhibit A). It clearly is a community for broadcast station licensing purposes. See FM Table of Allotments, Willows and Dunnigan, California, 9 FCC Rcd 1802 (1994), where the Commission stated "...As a general rule, if a community is incorporated or is listed in the U.S.

Station WSEH, Cumberland, Kentucky to Weber City, Virginia.

Census, that is sufficient to demonstrate its status as a community for allotment purposes."

Allocation Considerations. There is appended hereto as Exhibit B an Engineering Exhibit prepared by broadcast consultant Charles M. Anderson of Bowling Green, Kentucky, whose qualifications are well known to the Commission. Mr. Anderson's statement demonstrates that: (1) Glade Spring does not have any broadcast facilities licensed to it at present; (2) a station with maximum Class A facilities located at the reference coordinates will provide city-grade (70 dBu) coverage to all portions of Glade Spring; and (3) the allocation of Channel 274A at Glade Spring at its reference coordinates complies with Section 73.207 of the Commission's Rules, so long as the following allocations are changed (see below for discussion on this): Channel 263A for Channel 273A at Marion, Virginia and modification of license of FM Broadcast Station WOLD-FM, Marion, Virginia²; Channel 249A for Channel 264A Richlands, Virginia, and modification of license of Broadcast Station WRIC, Richlands, Virginia; and Channel

 $^{^2\}mbox{WOLD-FM}$ would also be required to change its transmitter site; $\mbox{WOLD-FM}$ has agreed to do this (see Exhibit C).

264A for Channel 249A at Grundy, Virginia, and modification of license of FM Broadcast Station WMJD, Grundy, Virginia.

- 5. The allocation of Channel 274A at Glade Spring, Virginia is in furtherance of the Congressional mandate in 47 U.S.C. §307(b) that the Commission allocate radio frequencies in a "fair, efficient and equitable" manner among the States and communities. The proposed allocation would be the first broadcast station in any service for Glade Spring. Glade Spring is more populous than Weber City (1,435 persons to 1,377 persons). The Glade Spring proposal does not deprive Cumberland, Kentucky of its only commercial FM allocation, but rather creates a new FM station. Thus, this Counterproposal better serves Section 307(b) of the Communications Act than does the original proposal in this docket.
- 6. In this regard, on these facts, in the face of our Glade Spring counterproposal, the Commission's own case law would disfavor the reallocation of the Cumberland FM channel to Weber City. That case law is stated in FM Table of Assignments, St. Augustine and Callahan, Florida, 46 RR 2d 1295 (Bureau, 1980). Therein, a petitioner sought to reallocate an FM channel from a county seat with a population of 12,352 to a small town with a population of

- 883, thereby (1) leaving the county seat without an FM allocation and (2) reallocating the channel to a place which would provide service to Jacksonville, Florida, a city with many broadcast stations.
- 7. The Commission declined to reallocate the channel from St. Augustine to Callahan. Its rationale was as follows:

Furthermore, we regard the deletion of an assigned channel for which an interest has been expressed as requiring a heavier burden on the party requesting its deletion to demonstrate its greater need elsewhere. In fact we have found no case in which an applied for channel has been deleted in favor of a community this small and which is so close to a much larger city.³

8. In this case, CCBC is seeking to relocate WSEH(FM) from Cumberland, which is located in a mountainous rural area in southeast Kentucky, to Weber City, which for all practical purposes is a suburb of Kingsport, Tennessee, one of the "Tri-Cities" (along with Johnson City and Bristol), which is well served by radio and television stations. CCBC has not met its burden of demonstrating that Section 307(b) would be better served by relocating Channel 274 out of Cumberland, Kentucky and into Weber City, Virginia.

Reimbursement of WOLD-FM, WRIC(FM) and WMJD(FM). 9. HVBC hereby states that it is aware of and will honor its obligations under Commission policy to compensate the licensees of stations WOLD-FM, Marion, Virginia, WRIC(FM), Richlands, Virginia and WMJD(FM), Grundy, Virginia for their in reasonable and prudent expenses making channel substitutions, in accordance with FM Table of Allotments, Circleville, Ohio, 8 FCC 2d 159 (1967), should HVBC's Counterproposal be adopted. HVBC's Counterproposal requires only two involuntary channel changes to operating stations (i.e., WRIC(FM) and WMJD(FM)). With respect to WOLD-FM, HVBC has reached an agreement with WOLD-FM's licensee regarding its willingness to change its transmitter site and to change channel to Channel 263A. Therefore, HVBC's Counterproposal complies with the requirements of FM Table of Allotments, Columbus, Nebraska, 59 RR 2d 1184 (1986). See FM Table of Allotments, Indian Springs, Nevada, DA 99-1306, 1999 WL 450827 (Bureau, July 2, 1999); FM Table of Allotments, Big Pine Key, Florida, 13 FCC Rcd 15542 (Bureau, 1998).

³Citing Arcadia, Englewood and Lake Placid, Florida, 41 Fed. Reg. 3880 (Bureau, 1976); and Burlington and Newport, Vermont, 44 FR 25228, 45 RR 2d 786 (Bureau, 1979).

10. Conclusion. HVBC has successfully demonstrated that (1) Channel 274A can be allocated to Glade Spring in accordance with the changes to the FM Table of Allotments requested herein, (2) HVBC will apply for Channel 274A at Glade Spring if allocated, and if granted will construct the station, (3) HVBC will compensate those stations having to change channels for their reasonable and prudent expenses pursuant to the Commission's Circleville policy, and (4) Section 307(b) of the Communications Act, as amended, would be better served by allocating Channel 274A to Glade Spring, Virginia as a new allocation than it would be were Channel 274A to be withdrawn from Cumberland, Kentucky (with no new FM allocation proposed) and reallocated to Weber City, Virginia.

WHEREFORE, Holston Valley Broadcasting Corporation urges that its Counterproposal BE GRANTED and that Channel 274A BE ALLOCATED to Glade Spring, Virginia; and that the mutually-exclusive rulemaking proposal (RM-9678) advanced by Cumberland City Broadcasting Company BE DENIED.

Respectfully submitted,

HOLSTON VALLEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

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| Little Flock Holiness Church | 8477 Old Mill Rd | Glade Spring, VA | (540) 429-5039 |
| Little Rock Baptist Church | 16011 Little Rock Rd | Glade Spring, VA | (540) 429-2262 |
| Mount Calvary United Holy Chr | 923 Crescent Dr | Glade Spring, VA | (540) 429-4353 |
| <u>Seven Springs Presbyterian</u> <u>Chr</u> | 33182 Seven Springs Rd | Glade Spring, VA | (540) 429-2670 |

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EXHIBIT B

TECHNICAL REPORT

This technical report has been developed in support of comments and a counterproposal to MM Docket No. 99-244 which proposes the allocation of channel 274C3 to Weber City, VA. The instant counterproposal alternatively requests the assignment of channel 274A at Glade Spring. VA (1990 population 1435) as a first local aural service and the associated changes in the FM table of allocations required to accommodate the Glade Spring proposal. This proposal is mutually exclusive with the Weber City proposal as demonstrated by Exhibit E-1.

I. ALLOCATION ANALYSIS

The instant counterproposal requests the assignment of channel 274A at Glade Spring, VA at coordinates:

N 36-45-15 W 81-37-56 (13.1 km east).

Exhibit E-1 demonstrates that the proposed 274A-Glade Spring allocation fully meets the Commission's Section 73.207 separation requirements channel when the associated changes are implemented. It also shows that there is an ample area within which to obtain a transmitter site meeting all spacing requirements. The proposed allocation changes are reflected in the studies provided herein. Exhibit E-2 demonstrates that the allocation will provide a 70 dBu over the entire city of Glade Spring. Topographic and other maps were consulted in the preparation of Exhibit E-2. A plot of the terrain from the proposed 274A site to the Glade Spring reference point in included as E-3 to show the lack of any obstruction which would attenuate the 70 dB signal.

An allocation study for the substitution of 263A for 273A at Marion is included as Exhibit E-4. Furthermore, a plot is included as E-5 demonstrating that the "specified site" will provide the required 70 dBu over all of Marion. An allocation study for 249A at the WRIC-FM, Richland licensed site is provided as E-6 and a study for 264A at the WMJD-Grundy licensed site is provided as E-7.

In order to accommodate this assignment, three changes in FM allocations are required as summarized below, and hereby proposed:

Proposed Allocations

| Community | Station | Present | Proposed | Coordinates |
|------------------|---------|---------|----------|---|
| Glade Spring, VA | NEW | | 274A | N 36-45-15 W 81-37-56 (13.1 km east). |
| Marion, VA - | WOLD | 273A | 263A | N 36-51-23 W 81-30-21 (Specified site at existing tower) |
| Richlands, VA – | WRIC | 264A | 249A | N 37-09-04 W 81-53-56 (WRIC licensed site) |
| Grundy, VA - | WMJD | 249A | 264A | N 37-18-08 W 82-07-04 (WMJD licensed site) |

The petitioner will reimburse all stations for the required facility changes in accordance with Commission policy, and in the case of station WOLD for which a site change is required in accordance with the agreement.

II. CONCLUSION

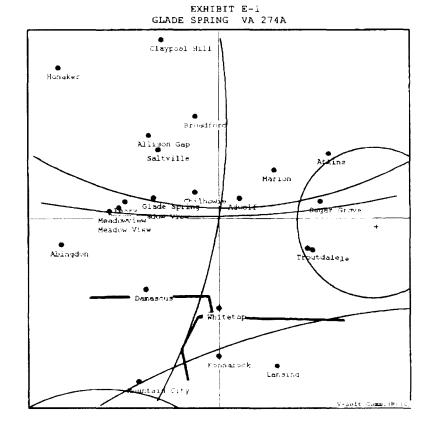
The proposed new allocation will provide Glade Spring, VA (1990 population 1435) with its first local aural service including service to an area of 2,516 square kilometers and a population of 56,545 within the 28.3 km uniform radius 60 dBu for a 6 kw/100 M HAAT maximum facility class A facility.

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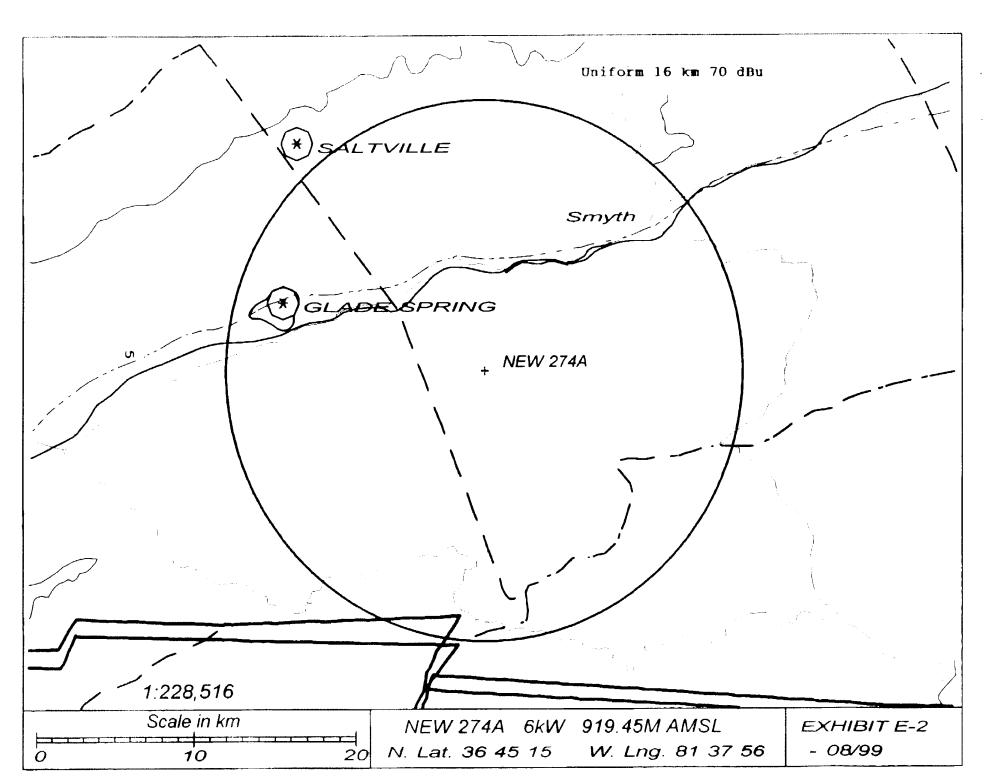
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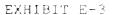
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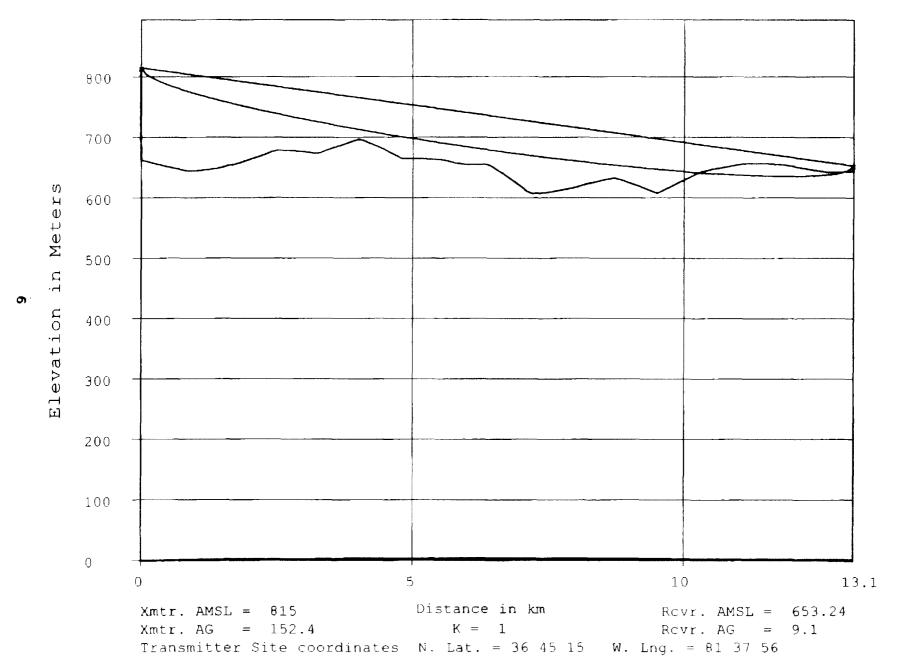


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|--------|---------------|----------------|----|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| AD274 | 274C3 | Weber City | VA | 89.06 | 253.8 | 141.5 | -52.44 |
| DE274 | 274A | Cumberland | KY | 114.57 | 279.5 | 114.5 | 0.07 |
| WSEH | 274A | Cumberland | ΚY | 114.57 | 279.5 | 114.5 | 0.07 |
| WVSRFM | 27 4 B | Charleston | WV | 177.94 | 359.0 | 177.5 | 0.44 |
| WELCFM | 275A | Welch | WV | 73.57 | 1.1 | 71.5 | 2.07 |
| WVTR | 220C2 | Marion | AV | 29.31 | 91.3 | 14.5 | 14.81 |
| WLYT | 275C1 | Hickory | NC | 156.16 | 163.1 | 132.5 | 23.66 |
| WECRFM | 272A | Beech Mountain | NC | 67.04 | 199.3 | 30.5 | 36.54 |
| WECREM | 272A | Beech Mountain | NC | 67.04 | 199.3 | 30.5 | 36.54 |
| AP273 | 273A | Shawsville | VA | 121.18 | 69.0 | 71.5 | 49.68 |



TERRAIN PROFILE AT 288 DEGREES T.





WOLD 263A

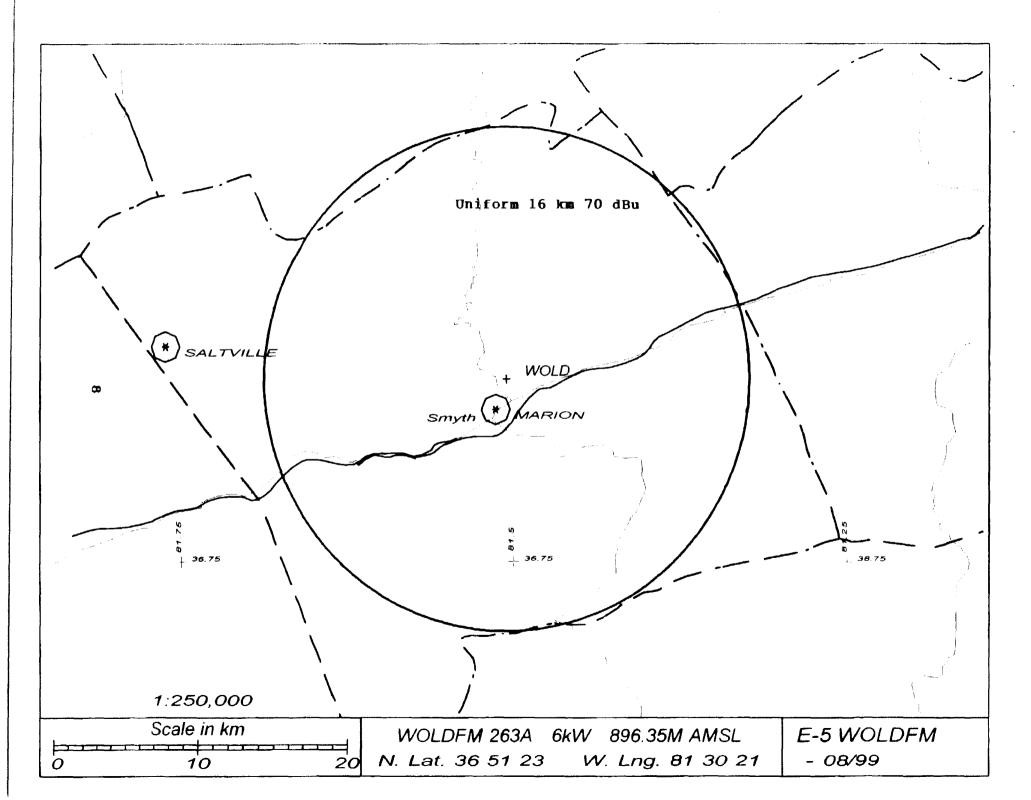
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REFERENCE 36 51 23 N 81 30 21 W

CLASS = ACurrent Spacings ------ Channel 263 - 100.5 MHz

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WRICFM 249A

EXHIBIT E-6

REFERENCE 37 09 04 N 81 53 56 W

CLASS = ACurrent Spacings DISPLAY DATES DATA 08-21-99

------ Channel 249 - 97.7 MHz -------------------------

SEARCH 08-21-99

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WMJD 264A

EXHIBIT E-7

REFERENCE 37 18 08 N 82 07 04 W

CLASS = ACurrent Spacings ------ Channel 264 - 100.7 MHz ------

DISPLAY DATES DATA 08-21-99 SEARCH 08-21-99

| Call | | Channel | Location | | Dist | Azi | FCC | Margin |
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| WMJD | LI | 264A | Grundy | VA | 0.00 | 0.0 | 114.5 | -114.50 |
| WSGS | LI | 266C | Hazard | KY | 95.11 | 263.0 | 94.5 | 0.61 |
| WOLDEM | LI | 263A | Marion | VA | 73.55 | 132.2 | 71.5 | 2.05 |
| WKOYFM | СP | 265A | Princeton | WV | 82.58 | 93.7 | 71.5 | 11.08 |
| WKEEFM | LI | 263B | Huntington | WV | 125.05 | 345.7 | 112.5 | 12.55 |
| WKEEFM | LI | 263B | Huntington | $\mathbf{W} \vee$ | 125.05 | 345.7 | 112.5 | 12.55 |
| WZJS | LΙ | 264A | Banner Elk | NC | 127.50 | 168.5 | 114.5 | 13.00 |
| WKOYFM | LΙ | 265A | Princeton | WV | 88.02 | 89.5 | 71.5 | 16.52 |
| WKQY | LI | 261A | Tazewell | VA | 50.02 | 111.9 | 30.5 | 19.52 |
| WJSO | LΙ | 211C3 | Pikeville | KY | 41.97 | 295.6 | 11.5 | 30.47 |
| WMDJFM | LΙ | 261A | Allen - | KĀ | 61.62 | 301.1 | 30.5 | 31.12 |
| WBGQ.C | СР | 264A | Bulls Gap | TN | 146.56 | 218.4 | 114.5 | 32.06 |
| WCYO | LΙ | 264C3 | Irvine | KY | 183.99 | 283.2 | 141.5 | 42.49 |
| WBZV | LI | 264A | Christiansburg | VA | 157.60 | 96.3 | 114.5 | 43.10 |
| WBZV.C | СP | 264A | Christiansburg | VA | 162.55 | 97.7 | 114.5 | 48.05 |
| WJYP | LI | 265A | South Charleston | WV | 124.64 | 16.8 | 71.5 | 53.14 |

CERTIFICATION

Charles M. Anderson hereby certifies that;

His qualifications in broadcast allocation matters are a matter of record before the Federal Communications Commission having been presented and accepted on many occasions in the past;

That he holds a lifetime General Radiotelephone license (#PG-6-7352), a bachelors degree in the physical sciences from Western Kentucky University and advanced degrees in the communications field from the University of North Carolina and Indiana University;

That the accompanying technical report and exhibits were developed by him personally or under his immediate supervision and that all the information presented therein is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Charles M. Anderson

August 21, 1999

Disclaimer: Charles M. Anderson assumes no liability for any errors or omissions in the information, exhibits and report provided herein; and, shall not be liable for any injuries or damages (including consequential) which might result from use of said information, exhibits and report. Filing of this report with the Federal Communications Commission constitutes acceptance in full of the terms and conditions stated above.

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EXHIBIT C

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August 20, 1999

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RB: Fossible WOLD-PM Site, Power, & Proquency Change -

Deer George:

Per our discussions, we understand that Holston Valley Broadcasting Corporation (Holston) plane to Petition the PUC to establish a Class A commercial PM allocation in Glade Spring, Virginia, and that should said petition be approved. Holston intends to apply to the Commission for a permit to construct a station on that allocation.

We also understand that in other for said petition to be approved by the Commission one WOLD-FM would be required to change frequency from its present channel 273A to a new chounch 263A and that WOLD-FM would be required to move to a new transmitter size.

We further understand that the site of your company's WMEV(AM) on Radio Hill in Marion WIII work for WOLD-PM nades the circumstances set facts above and that WOLD-PM rould rus a full 6 kilowatte BRP from the WMEV(AM) site.

Additionally, we appeared that if we agree to commit to modify WOLD-PM as sel forth above (so the event your proposed pelition is approved by the Commission) Holston will provide abienne and transmitter space for WOLD-FM at the WMEV(AN) site on a borter basis (with WOLD-FM running advertising time for your company's television division). Additionally, and in accordance with the Commission's rales, Holston (or any other aggressful applicant for the proposed Glase Spring station) would bear the expense of these modifications to WOLD-PM's operation.

Even in the event Medition's proposed perities is approved, nothing herein shall require Unerald to choose Holeton's Radio Hill site as a future transmitter site for WOLO-FM. Should Emerald meler mother site, which flip the location parameters allowed for WOLD-PM in the approved allocation scenario, Esserald may procure the right to use such site at rts own expense, thus relieving Holston of any obligation to provide its Radio Hill site, but not of any obligation. Holdon for enother successful applicant for the proposed Glade Spring FM station) would have to cover the expense of moving and properly equipping the WO).D.PM transmitting facility at its new location.

Pleatly, Emerald meerte that despite the fact that traditional RCC coverage prediction methodology may isdicate WOLD-PM's coverage from the Madio film site with 6 kilowatta

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BRP will equal or exceed WOLD-PM's present coverage with lower power from its Walker Mountain site, Emorald believes that if the proposed changes are made, the future cale value of WOLD-FM will be adversely affected.

Given this assertion by Renerald, Holston agrees that should be proposed polition be adopted by the Commission, and if Holston should be precessful in its parsait of authority to construct the proposed Glade Spring station, it will fin addition to paying for the construct the proposed Glade Spring station, it will fin addition to paying for the construct of the operation of WOLD-PM) pay to Emerald (or its successor as licenses of WOLD-FM) the sum of two hundred-lifty thousand dollars (\$250,000). (Should Holston's proposed petition be approved, but Holston not be successful in its parsait of authority to construct the proposed Glade Spring station, the obligation to make the above-referenced payment to Emerald would full upon any other successful applicant for the proposed Glade Spring station.)

Given the elecuminances set forth herein, and once conner-signed by you on Holston's behalf, you may consider this letter Emerald Sound, incorporated's (Emerald's) commitment to make the aforementioned changes in WOLD-PM in the event the proposed petition described above is approved.

We do not one additional cavest with regard to the commitment art forth herein. During the decades Emerald has been a broadcast licensee, it has observed that such publicase cum take years to work their way through the PCC. In this fast-moving world with the many changes, which have occurred in the broadcasting industry in the past few years and which continue to necur duly, Emerald reserves the right to rescind the commitment set forth boroin should circumstances involving its bankers change. By connect-signing this letter linkton commits that in the event of such withdrawal of Emerald's commitment. Holmon will not hold finetald lightle in any way for any expresses or damages, which might accrue to Holston as a result of Emerald's withdrawal of the above-referenced commitment. Similarly, should changes in the broadcasting industry lend Holston to withdraw the above-referenced possible changes in WOLD-FM's operation are not and wold.

Sincerely,

| EMBRALD SOUND, INCORPOI | CATEL |
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| A 12/18 | |
| Reletable | |
| Robert S. Dix | |
| Provident & General Manager | |

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

It is hereby certified that a true copy of the foregoing "Counterproposal and Comments Thereon" were served by first-class United States mail, postage prepaid, on the 23rd day of August, 1999, upon the following:

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